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**Motion to Support Governor Newsom's Homelessness Funding Proposal**

On May 9, 2019, Governor Gavin Newsom released his Fiscal year 2019-20 May Budget Revision (May Revision), which included \$650.0 million in one-time funding for local governments for the Homeless Aid for Planning and Shelter Program. The Governor's proposal would allocate this funding, based on the 2019 Federal point-in-time count to the State's thirteen most populous cities (\$275.0 million), counties (\$275.0 million), and Continuums of Care (\$100.0 million).

The Governor's proposal would cap allocations to any County or Continuum of Care at 40 percent of the funding allocated for their category; require 50 percent of funding allocations to be contractually obligated by May 31, 2022; require 100 percent of funding allocations to be expended by June 30, 2023; and cap administration costs at 5 percent of a COOs funding allocation.

The May Revision also expands the eligible, one-time uses of funding from the Governor's January Budget Proposal (which only proposed to fund shelters and navigation centers) to include hotel/motel conversions; traditional and non-traditional

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permanent supportive housing; rapid rehousing; jobs programs; and innovative housing projects.

The Governor's proposal will provide much-needed funding to supplement the funding available through Measure H. The allowable uses proposed by the Administration align with the County's comprehensive action plan to prevent and combat homelessness. The proposed allocation methodology will ensure that the funded entities in Los Angeles County (the County; the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority; the cities of Los Angeles and Long Beach; and the Glendale, Long Beach, and Pasadena Continuums of Care) will receive equitable allocations based on the 2019 Point-in-Time count.

Furthermore, the Governor's proposal provides increased flexibility for the use of program funds, which means counties can use the funds as they are most needed in our local communities, and the use of 2019 point-in-time counts as the underlying data for allocations will provide the best representation of current needs. The proposed funding would assist the County, other local governments, continuums of care, and partnering service providers in our efforts to reduce homelessness by expanding investment in prevention, outreach, supportive housing, rapid rehousing, bridge and permanent housing.

**WE, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Officer to send a five-signature letter to the 2019 Budget Conference Committee and the Governor in support of the Governor's \$650.0 million homeless assistance proposal.